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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jocelyn Boyd, Chief Clerk / Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: Information from Telephone Utilities Regarding Compliance

with 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-607 – Ring Connection, Inc.

Docket No. 2011-329-C

Dear Jocelyn:

Pursuant to 26 S.C. Code Regs. Section 103-803, Ring Connection, Inc. respectfully requests a waiver of the amount of the bond required by 26 S.C. Code Regs. Section 103-607 ("Bond Regulation"). The Bond Regulation allows the Commission to determine the type and amount of bond or other security mechanism. The Company seeks relief from the amount of the required bond since compliance would produce unusual hardship and difficulty.

Ring Connection, Inc. was certificated to provide local exchange service in South Carolina in Docket No. 2002-92-C, Order No. 2002-503, on July 8, 2002. The Company currently provides service in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee, and South Carolina. Ring Connection is a small company with total gross annual sales of less than \$636,000.

Ring Connection maintains a small presence in South Carolina. The gross sales in South Carolina in 2011 totaled \$5206. The Company has approximately 14 customers in the State. We respectfully request that the amount of the bond or other security mechanism for Ring Connection be no more than \$1063.00 which reflects the number of South Carolina customers (14) times its average residential retail rate (\$37.95) times two months of service.

The Company has been providing service for almost ten years. Its annual report on file with the Office of Regulatory Staff and its many years of operations in South Carolina demonstrate its financial stability. To require Ring Connection to post a \$100,000 bond places an excessive burden on its cost of doing business in South Carolina. Therefore, we respectfully request that Ring Connection be allowed to post a bond or other security mechanism of \$1063.00.

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Should the Commission have any questions or need additional information, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

ROBINSON, MCFADDEN & MOORE, P.C.

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